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INVENTION:

ANODE MATERIAL AND BATTERY USING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

IN OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 7, 2006

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 7, 2006, Applicants hereby elect the embodiments of Invention III for prosecution in the subject application. Invention III includes claims 10-18.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected inventions.

Respectfully submitted,

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